various crop oriented Central/Centrally Sponsored Schemes being implemented to this Ministry.

Commercial Crops in Assam

2267. SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are considering any proposal to encourage and motivate raising commercial crops in Assam in view of acute unemployment problem; and

(b) whether Government are considering to set up agro-industries with common facility service centre and other Agro-processing activities in Assam to give booster to the local farmers there?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir.

Depressed Scientists of the Indian Agricultural Research Institute

2268. SHRI N. E. BALARAM: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the fact that the Scientists working in Indian Agricultural Research Institute and Indian Council of Agricultural Research are in a stage of depression;

(b) whether it is a fact that some scientists in the past committed suicides; if so, the remedial steps Government have taken in the matter;

(c) whether it is also a fact that a Senior scientist has moved the Central Administrative Tribunal; if so, what are the details in this regard;

(d) whether Government's attention has been drawn to a report published in the 'Hindustan Times' dated the 15th November, 1991 in this regard;

(e) if so, the details thereof;

(f) whether any investigation is being made; and

(g) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI K. C. LENKA: (a) and (b) Sir, it is not correct to say that the Scientists of the Indian Agricultural Research Institute/Indian Council of Agricultural Research are in a stage of depression. An inquiry into the cases of suspected suicides has revealed that the suicides by scientists has been mainly due to personal reasons. However, the Government has been making constant efforts to create congenial working conditions for the scientific community. Personnel policies of the ICAR are reviewed from time to time by High Level Committees and necessary follow-up action is taken.

(c) to (g) A Principal Scientist of Indian Agricultural Research Institute, New Delhi has filed an application in the Central Administrative Tribunal, Principal Bench, New Delhi against the orders passed by the competent authority imposing the penalty of removal from service on charges of misconduct, misbehaviour and disobedience. The news item which appeared in the Hindustan Times dated 15-11-1991, relates to this application. The penalty of removal from service was imposed after following the procedure laid down in the CCS (CC&A) Rules, 1965 as extended to the ICAR employees.

विभिन्न चयन समितियों/बोर्डों में अनुसूचित जातियों/अनुसूचित जनजातियों और अल्पसंख्यकों के प्रतिनिधि

2269. **मौलाना अबैदुल्ला खान आजमी** : क्या कृषि मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या मंत्रालय द्वारा चयन समितियां/बोर्डों में अनुसूचित जातियों/अनु-

सूचित जनजातियों तथा अल्पसंख्यकों के प्रतिनिधियों को शामिल किए जाने संबंधी अगस्त, 1990 के सरकार के अनुदेशों को कार्यान्वित किया गया है ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो मंत्रालय के अधीन ऐसे निकायों और संगठनों का ब्यौरा क्या है जहां ये अनुदेश कार्यान्वित किए गये हैं ?

(ग) उन निकायों के नाम क्या-क्या हैं जिन्होंने इन अनुदेशो को अभी तक कार्यान्वित नहीं किया है तथा उसके क्या कारण हैं; और

(घ) सरकार द्वारा इस संबंध में क्या कदम उठाये जा रहे हैं ?

कृषि मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री मुल्लापल्ली रामचन्द्रन) : (क) से (घ) जानकारी एकत्र की जा रही है और सभा पटल पर रख दी जाएगी ।

2270. [Transferred to the 19th December, 1991.]

Export of Pesticides

2271. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state.

(a) what is the quantum of pesticides exported from the country during the last three years, year-wise indicating their value and quantities and the names of their manufacturers;

(b) the names of various pesticides generally used for various crops; and

(c) the Statewise utilisation of pesticides alongwith value thereof during 1989-90 and 1990-91?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MULLAPALLY RAMACHANDRAN): (a) The quantity of pesticides exported during the last three years and their value is at Annexure. [*See* Appendix CLXI, Annexure No. 52].

The names of the pesticides exported and the names of their manufacturers is at Annexure. [*See* Appendix CLXI, Annexure No. 53].

(b) The information is at Annexure. [*See* Appendix CLXI, Annexure No. 54].

(c) The State-wise consumption of pesticides during 1989-90 to 1990-91 is at Annexure. [*See* Appendix CLXI, Annexure No. 55]. In the absence of statutory control on price of pesticides due to the multiplicity of formulations of 129 registered pesticiles, and also their distribution being done through more than one lakh sale points, it is not practically feasible to collect the information on value of pesticides consumed.

Study by International Institute for Energy Conservation

2272. SHRI DHULESHWAR MEENA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether according to an expert study by the International Institute for Energy Conservation, 12,000 MW capacity of power could be released for various uses, if only Government adopted a least cost energy planning in the agriculure sector;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) what measures Government propose to introduce in the farm sector to save power?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MULLAPALLY RAMACHANDRAN): (a) to (c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

Permanent Bodies for Disaster Management

2273. SHRI MENTAY PADMANABHAM. Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) what are the proposals under Government's consideration for setting up permanent machinery and institutions for disaster management all over the country;

(b) what is the status of such proposals;

(c) the funds allocated therefor;